



## Clinton tells Asean to unite vs China

**MANILA**—US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton arrived in Indonesia on Monday hoping to encourage Southeast Asian nations to present a united front to the Chinese in dealing with territorial disputes in the West Philippine Sea (South China Sea).

Clinton is in Indonesia to support US support for a regionally endorsed plan to ease rising tensions by implementing a code of conduct for all claimants to disputed islands in the West Philippine Sea.

Clinton is the headquarter of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Asean), and China will also press the group to make that China agree to a formal declaration to reduce short-term risks of conflict and ultimately come to final, comprehensive and sovereignty.

CLAYTON JR.  
China warns against intervention (A2)

**LOOK WHO ARE NO SHOWS** It is not as much those who were present as those who did not show up that made news at yesterday's flag-raising ceremony at the Supreme Court. Chief Justice Maria Lourdes Sereno (left) spoke at the rites attended by (from left) Associate Justice Benveniste Reyes, Socrates Paras-Benavides, Jose Mendoza, Jose Peralta, Roberto Masid and Placido del Castillo.

# 7 justices 'snub' Sereno

## Chief Justice: My appointment is God's will

By Christine O. Arcevala and Marlen Ramos

IF THE ABSENCE of half of the 14 associate justices was meant as a snub, Chief Justice Maria Lourdes Sereno did not show she was in the least slighted, saying in her first flag-raising ceremony she was appointed by God to head the Supreme Court amid asking colleagues to shun intrigues.

"This is neither the work of man nor of any political bloc. This is not a product of lobbying from business or economic interests but by God who knows all the plan of our nation," said Sereno, 57, adding that her appointment was a divine will.

**JBC to probe leak of Sereno's prayer leak** (A2)



**BRIEFING** Incoming Transportation and Communications Secretary Joseph Emilio Ayoa (left) gets a nod for his new post from Mar Roxas, the new interior secretary.

**Is Puno in or out of DILG under Roxas?**

By Marlen Ramos and Michael Lim-Urac

**PRESIDENT** Aquino's shooting range facility, Koro Puno, is said to be a shadow over Malacañang palace grounds that Mar Roxas has full control in the newly

appointed secretary of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG).

Executive Secretary Eugenio Delosoid said yesterday that Puno, the powerful DILG undersecretary in charge of police affairs in a power-sharing arrangement

with the late Interior Secretary Jesse Robredo, was very much in the department.

"Up to now, he is still the undersecretary of the DILG," said Delosoid, officer in charge of the DILG since the death on Aug. 18 of Robredo in a plane crash.

## Robredo widow on JBC list as RTC judge

By Christine O. Arcevala

THE WIDOW of former Secretary Jesse Robredo would rather be named Regional Trial Court (RTC) judge in the Basilan region than be drafted into the senatorial slate of the Aquino administration for the 2013 elections.

Leta Robredo was placed on the short list yesterday by the Judicial and Bar Council (JBC) as a candidate for RTC judge after nomination to the JBC short list was "anonymous," said Jose Mejia, a council member.

Robredo's nomination came on the JBC last yesterday.



**JUDGE LINA** Leta Robredo carries the flag given to her husband.

## Korean 'messiah' Moon dies; 92

**GYEONGGI, South Korea**—The Rev. Sun Myung Moon, best known for conducting mass weddings involving thousands of couples, including Filipinos women and Korean men, was a self-proclaimed messiah, but he was at least in good at attracting dollars as he was at drawing converts.

His Unification Church

claims 3 million followers, though its members and critics put the number at no more than 100,000. There is no question of the success of the business empire Moon created through his church's ventures in several countries from hospitals and newspapers to cars and real estate and even professional sports teams and a hotel empire.

Moons died on Monday at a shock-induced hospital near his home in Gyeonggi County, northeast of Seoul, two weeks after being hospitalized with pneumonia, Unification Church spokesman said.

Moons wife and children were at his side, ARA said. He was 92.

Flags flew at half-staff on

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## All roads lead to Rome for Calungsod 'relatives'

By Kristine L. Arce

IN 2004 previous, everybody has suddenly become a relative of survivors of St. Pedro Calungsod.

Cebu Archbishop Jose Palma is not keeping count, though he has noted that he had signed more than 1,000 letters of endorsement

for visa applications to the Italian Embassy ahead of Calungsod's canonization in Rome last month.

Palma, who is also president of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines, told reporters last week that the Italian Embassy

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# Cops vow to arrest Red Bull execs

By Marlon Razon

THE PHILIPPINE National Police (PNP) yesterday vowed to track and arrest Red Bull executives if the company's executives refuse to voluntarily surrender to the justice system. The PNP said it will not let the executives go without a trial and will not let them escape the justice system. The PNP said it will not let the executives go without a trial and will not let them escape the justice system.

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## How it all began

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When completed in 2013, Discovery Primea will forever raise the standards of luxury condominium living in the Philippines with all of its units fitted with Sub-Zero and Wolf appliances. Its project developer, ZPMC Limited, is the same company behind the multi-awarded Discovery Shores in Boracay, Discovery Country Suites in Tagaytay and Discovery Suites in Palay.

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Collecting a small, close-knit community of only 90 homeowners is the one that led to Discovery Primea's exceptional distribution of space. The building's design ensures every home is a corner home, with view and ventilation drawn not just from two, but three sides.

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# SSS workers get surprise P10-K bonus on anniversary

By Michael Lim Ulan

EMPLOYEES of the Social Security System got a pleasant surprise yesterday when President Aquino gave each one of them a P10,000 anniversary bonus to mark the SSS's founding anniversary of the SSS.

This stretched beyond the bonus after the SSS earned an audited profit last year of P21.8 billion in net earnings, 11.8 percent more than the P22.8 billion net income it recorded in 2010.

But SSS Aquino celebrated the milestone "because of the SSS in safeguarding the country's

future," he said. In 1947, Republic Act No. 2654, the SSS Act, was signed and provided a viable, universal and equitable social security program for the people.

The 200 members, among other things, pensions, loans and insurance to its members.

In his speech, the President lauded the SSS for being a credible and reliable partner of Filipinos in ensuring security for generations, old and new, and providing much-needed "peace of mind."

He also highlighted the trust and respect every SSS member has for the agency as a national standard of care of the SSS earned among the country's SSS members in social security and social insurance.

"If you see results in the system, if you struggle with their

future, this is what I expect from you," said Mr. Aquino.

He thanked the SSS for doing its "duty" of serving the people and ensuring its credibility, saying the efforts of the personnel would benefit generations of Filipinos.

In the years to come

In 2011, the SSS's total income reached P24 billion, a 7.7 percent increase over the P22.8 billion in 2010.

The President further recognized that improvement in the SSS had been evident by inter-

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# China warns against intervention as Clinton visits Asia

**BEIJING**—China on Monday warned the United States against taking sides in tension, as proposed for a visit by US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton.

Clinton is currently on a tour of the Asia-Pacific region during which she is expected to visit five cities for freedom of navigation in the West Philippine Sea (South China Sea), where tensions between nations have soared because of growing territorial claims.

The United States is reinforcing its military presence in the Pacific, a move that analysts say is aimed at countering China's growing power in the region, and which has sparked concern in Beijing.

"We hope the US will not repeat the earlier mistakes of power and stability and become a commitment of not taking sides," Hong Lei, the foreign ministry spokesman, said in a briefing.

"Similarly, outside this region should respect the choice of countries directly concerned with the issue and should certainly follow their common sense of not taking sides in this dispute," Hong said.

In recently issued statements, the United States is increasing its military presence in the Pacific, a move that analysts say is aimed at countering China's growing power in the region, and which has sparked concern in Beijing.

Other nations claim islands in the West Philippine Sea, the territory for half of the world's commercial cargo—and around shipping of a new, proposed superhighway.

A commentary by China's official Xinhua news agency went further than the foreign ministry statements, accusing the United States of "trying to stir up tensions in the South China Sea."

"Obviously Washington's approach is not conducive to the peaceful settlement of the dispute as well as the peace and stability in the area," said the commentary, published a day before Clinton took to the air for talks with top leaders. AFP



US SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY CLINTON SPEAKS AT THE SINGAPORE CONFERENCE CENTER, SINGAPORE, SEPTEMBER 4, 2012.

## Palace releases list of holidays in 2013

**By Tjibjorga**

IF YOU enjoy long weekends, you're on a roll. But long weekends more regular than ever, following on weekends.

China's government has announced its 2013 holiday schedule, signed by President Xi Jinping, on Monday.

According to the schedule, the 2013 holiday schedule will fall on a Wednesday, with a long weekend on March 20 and 21, respectively.

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## Clinton tells Asean to unite vs China

**Presumptive**

She wants to strengthen Asian unity, going forward," a senior US official told reporters on board Clinton's plane as she flew from the Cook Islands to Australia for a brief refueling stop on the way to Indonesia.

Clinton's last stop to the region in July was marked by the failure of Asean to reach a consensus on talks in Cambodia, after 16 states in the 16-member group on how to proceed a ruling China.

The top US diplomat was scheduled to meet Indonesian Foreign Minister Marty's spokesman shortly after arriving in Jakarta, and the Indonesian day will hold talks with President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono and also visit the headquarters of Asean, part of her efforts to promote ties with the second, only dynamic and mostly US-friendly bloc.



US SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY CLINTON SPEAKS AT THE SINGAPORE CONFERENCE CENTER, SINGAPORE, SEPTEMBER 4, 2012.

**Diplomatic process**

She hopes "to get a sense of where we are and to get the balance of the situation about how we can be supportive, how we can put more into the work of a diplomatic effort, which is what we always must want," the senior US official on her airplane said in a diplomatic process where there is an important role in a strong diplomatic conversation between a unified Asean and China rather than through any kind of vote.

"We will do that," she said.

Indonesia played a leading role in putting the six-point plan together after the Asean failure in July. The official said the United States was "committed" to the plan, but wanted a solution, particularly emphasizing the need and endorsement of the role of Indonesia, which had longed since a preliminary

**Insulted** for it was the first time in 2012.

Clinton, who said a refueling stop in Brisbane, Australia, on her way from the South Pacific, said she was in the Pacific to see how the United States and China can work together to strengthen the relationship between the two nations.

The Philippines and Indonesia both accused China of an increasing presence over territorial disputes in the West Philippine Sea (South China Sea), a territory through which half of the world's cargo ships pass.

**Territorial disputes**

The Philippines, Vietnam, Malaysia, Brunei and Taiwan dispute parts of the sea that are within their exclusive economic zones. Islands, reefs and reefs in those areas are claimed by the six nations and the United States.

China claims sovereignty over the entire sea, but refuses to bring to dispute with other claimants to an international court for arbitration.

But the Philippines, which figured in a

new marine standard that China is pushing. Most of the South China Sea is in the West Philippine Sea, which is going ahead and trying to get the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) to rule on whether China.

Clinton, in a visit to Vietnam in 2010, helped Southeast Asian states by declaring freedom of navigation in the West Philippine Sea to be a US national interest, although she said Washington would not take sides over the dispute.

The United States recently issued an annual report on China's efforts to bring regional freedom of navigation by establishing a marine gateway on Woody Island, in the South China Sea, which the Philippines said, China accused China of seeking to "control" the area.

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# Tobacco firms allowed to advertise, but not in media

By Kristian L. Alonzo

THE COURT of Appeals (CA) has allowed tobacco firms to advertise in certain areas, avoiding a heavy blow to anti-tobacco campaigners who had been pushing Congress to tighten laws against regulations against the promotion and advertising of cigarettes.

In an Aug. 16 decision, the appellate court ruled in favor of Philip Morris Philippines Manufacturing Inc., which had argued that tobacco ads should not be totally banned in the country, citing provisions of Republic Act No. 9211. The court permitted tobacco companies to promote their products at their points of sale, but the ads should not target minors, the court said.

However, the ban on media advertising stays.

Chief Justice Marito said there is a new law totally eliminating all forms of tobacco and tobacco-related activities. This court has to wait for the law to take effect in accordance with the pending RA 9211," said the court decision.

The Framework Convention on Tobacco Control Alliance Philippines (FCAP) yesterday lambasted the decision of the appellate court, saying cigarette companies in bold promotional activities and display advertising materials at their points of sale.

"It is not controversial on the current policies that we have not completely banned advertising, promotion and sponsorship of tobacco prod-

ucts in our country. The Philippines ratified the WHO FCTC in 2003. By 2012, the country should be completely compliant with provisions of that treaty," said Dr. Warner Limpho, FCAP executive director.

Limpho stressed cigarette manufacturers of raising premiums in RA 9211 with regard to "promotion of point-of-sale establishments."

"Tobacco companies have exploited the fact that the Philippines has allowed point-of-sale advertising. In some instances, one will find entire cigarette packs placed in the exact center of the cigarette pack. Small billboards are placed outside stores to complete violation of RA 9211. The law also allows advertising in public places that we all know that cigarette packs are all over our streets, streets where

children could see them," said Limpho.

The CA decision came at an awkward time. It has given the cigarette manufacturer more ammunition to health advocates, including the Department of Health, has called for stricter action on tobacco and higher taxes on tobacco.

The drastic steps and income constraints are currently delivering a new tax regime for tobacco and alcoholic products.

2011 data showed that a 10 percent increase in tobacco taxes would reduce by two million the number of cigarette smokers by 2016. Raising the tax on a size cigarette by 10 percent would reduce the number of youth deaths due to smoking-related diseases.

According to the 2011 Global Youth Tobacco Survey, more than 80 percent of 10-year children aged 11-15 have seen cigarette ads on billboards, a clear violation of RA 9211.

The Philippines has the highest number of smoking youth aged 13-15 in Southeast Asia with 28.3 percent of them boys and 17.5 percent girls.

The FCAP believes the recent CA ruling undermines the Philippines' obligation to the World Health Organization's Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, which the Philippine Senate ratified in 2005.

Under the convention, the Philippine government pledged to follow Article 11 of the FCTC which states that it should implement a comprehensive ban on "all tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship" within five years after the ratification.

# PH hopes to flood world with coconut products

By Jonnelyn L. Andrade

IF THE economic plan of the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) passes through, the world may soon be awash in coconut wine, virgin coconut oil and other coconut products, including chips, jelly, vinegar, frozen raw meat, liquid cream milk, coconut milk powder, soap, etc., or liquid coconut and coconut-based food.

The PCA under the Department of Agriculture is looking at securing over P2.5 billion to boost the export of coconut products to at least 180 countries.

PCA Administrator Eulador Berbes

said recently that industries that P2.5 billion products and byproducts were among the country's leading agricultural exports, with export earnings totaling \$1.94 billion last year.

The P2.5-billion investment, Berbes said, would be used "to develop and implement strategies to take advantage of the growing export demand on agro-wine, WCO and coconut sap wine."

The PCA, he said, was working with the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) and the Philippine Space Center for Productivity Development and Mechanization (PHPDMS) to develop processing and product test technologies to further lengthen

the shelf life of coconut wine for domestic and export markets.

The late post-Agriculture Secretary Prospero Alcala said that President Aquino "has instructed that we must be given to coconut farmers" the added that the coconut industry should take advantage of available technologies to make coconut farms and entrepreneurs to create new and innovative byproducts.

Morales and the PCA was implementing a nationwide coconut planting and replanting program under which some 34.6 million seedlings have been planted as of July 31 to ensure the productivity of small coconut farmers and to boost their incomes.

The PCA also hoped to further up to 25 million coconut trees next year and to implement a coconut bark, husk and processing program, the Department of Agriculture said.

Last year's top export included coconut oil at \$1.4 billion, followed by coconut at \$207 million and coconut charcoal at \$15 million, Berbes said.

He added that exports of coconut were during the last six months of the year increased to 36.2 million liters worth \$11.2 million, while WCO exports doubled to 4,422 metric tons worth \$2.3 million in the same period.

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# Murder charges dropped against S. Africa miners

**JOHANNESBURG**—Prosecutors previously dropped murder charges against the 279 jailed miners who had been accused under an obscure legal doctrine of killing 34 of their own colleagues when the police opened fire on them while they were on a violent strike.

The police fired live ammunition into a crowd of about 3,000 platinum miners armed with clubs and machetes while trying to disperse the illegal strike on Aug. 16, 2012, after the firing stopped. Six miners were killed and South Africa was outraged by the bloodshed controversy between police and civilians since the end of apartheid. The police have claimed they acted

in self-defense.

The outrage grew when prosecutors announced last week that under a legal doctrine known as "voluntarily dangerous" the miners themselves would be charged with murdering their colleagues. Under the doctrine, which was frequently used in the waning days of apartheid to charge members of protesting

unions with serious crimes committed by a few individuals, people in a mob can be charged as accomplices. It is a fairly strange new doctrine. South Africa's new president Jacob Zuma, who was the National Prosecuting Authority said that they would end the outcome of failed investigations into the shootings.

but did not rule out bringing murder charges again.

"Final charges will only be made once all investigations have been completed. The murder charges against the current 279 suspects will be formally withdrawn provisionally in court," said Johannesburg, the acting national director of prosecutions, told reporters.

Prosecutors also said they had not ruled out charges against the police.

"The actions of the police will be viewed on their merits," said John Smit, a prominent prosecutor in the region where the strike took place, told reporters. "We're not ignoring that."

The murder charges against



**STRIKING** miners stand just outside the office of Minister Ngweni at the spot where 34 miners were shot dead near London's platinum mine in August 11.

the miners, who remain in jail pending a hearing this week, had caused considerable con-

fusion, criticized for acting too slowly to end the riotous strike peacefully and not responding quickly enough to the violence.

Justice Minister Al Hadebe said last week that the decision to charge the miners with murder "has reduced a sense of shock, panic and confusion within the members of the community and the general South African public," and demanded an explanation from prosecutors.

Leaders for the jailed miners and former President Jacob Zuma demanding to intervene. He said the move could be a constitutional inquiry with local police to investigate the shooting. *Star* (New York Times News Service)

## Recalling 1812 battle, Putin calls for unity

**MOSCOW**—President Vladimir Putin made a meeting call for unity among Russia's diverse ethnic and religious groups on Tuesday as he led commemorations of a battle 200 years ago that led to the end of Napoleon's invasion.

Standing by a monument at the site of the 1812 Battle of Borodino, a bloody Russian victory, Putin delivered a speech recalling the victims of persecution that enabled Russia to repel the French army in 1812.

Back on grounds near St. Petersburg last week, Putin took time to pay tribute to his big win in the war since he first rose to power in 2000, and to people of many religions in the North Caucasus.

For the second time in five days, Putin called for unity, condemning terrorism and the dangers of religious and ethnic intolerance in Russia, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan and elsewhere.

"Only when Russia's citizens were united, were together, they achieved the best results in the development of our country," Putin told Russian and foreign dignitaries, including Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin's daughter, Maria.

Putin also called the battle of Borodino as a symbol of Russian unity and a reminder of the Russian people's role in the world.



**REMEMBRANCE** Putin's speech was held at the site of the 1812 Battle of Borodino, during anniversary celebrations of the Russian military victory over Napoleon's army on September 2.

The battle was fought in the North Caucasus, near a site where Putin said a decade after Putin signed a separate peace treaty in Chechnya, could also undermine unity in other parts of Russia.

The killing of a Muslim cleric in July in the north Caucasus, in Russia's largest, has caused a wave of violence in the region.

The battle of Borodino on Sept. 7, 1812, remembered by Russia as its epic victory, is commemorated in Putin's speech as a symbol of Russian unity and a reminder of the Russian people's role in the world.

of soldiers were killed on both sides before the Russian victory and abandoned Moscow to the French.

The Russian people are united and the French, after occupying Moscow, were forced by both involved supply lines, the cold winter and lack of reinforcements, to withdraw from Russia, eventually beaten by Napoleon's army.

Putin, speaking after laying a wreath at the monument close to the site where the battle was fought, said the Russian people's role in the world is to be united by common values.

"Such situations, as today, do not only serve to remember bloody events. This is a good reason to speak about how we should build relations with our neighbors, our common friends in the common European house," he said.

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## E-book: SEAL wrote book after slighted by US Navy

**THE FORMER** Navy SEAL, who is a member of a top-secret unit, has written a book about his life in the SEALs. The book, "The SEAL," is a memoir of his life in the SEALs. The book is a memoir of his life in the SEALs.

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A D-18 fighter jet flew over the Angeles National Forest, California on Sept. 3, trying to put out a fire that has burned more than 2,000 acres.

## US storm brings relief to drought-hit Corn Belt

**WASHINGTON**—All through the working summer, the crops suffered under drought. Now, the crops are getting a much-needed rain.

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## The World

Editor Lawrence B. Gueco



EGYPTIAN politician Fatma Nabil speaking on Al Jazeera television on Tuesday, a day after she was elected to the Egyptian parliament.

## Egypt abuzz as woman in hijab reads news on TV

CARAI—An urban scene called a first for Egyptian state television, a woman wearing a headscarf presented headlines in a newsroom setting. In a television studio, a woman in a headscarf was seen reading the news on a large screen.

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# Israel's Netanyahu urges 'clear red line' to stop Iran

JERUSALEM—Israel's prime minister on Sunday urged the international community to get tougher against Iran, saying that without a "clear red line," Tehran will not halt its nuclear program.

The tough language from Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu reflected differences that have emerged between Israel and the United States, particularly the latter's stance on Iran's nuclear program.

Israel has warned that the Iranian nuclear program is quickly approaching weapons capability and that the threat of force must be seriously considered. The United States says sanctions and international diplomacy must be given more time to work.

Netanyahu, speaking in his cabinet, said that a new report issued by the US intelligence agency showing progress in the Iranian nuclear program bolstered his claim that international pressure is not working.

"I believe that the world must be told, the international community is not drawing a clear red line for Iran, and Iran does not see international determination to stop its nuclear program," Netanyahu said.

"Israel sees this clear red line and this determination, it will not stop its advancement of the Iranian nuclear program. Iran must not have a nuclear weapon," he declared.

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more of missiles capable of striking Israel and to support the anti-Israel militant groups.

Israel's leaders have expressed concern that Iran's nuclear program could become a threat to the region.

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## Arab Gulf states slam Syria as over 100 killed

DAMASCUS—Arab Gulf monarchies lambasted Syria's regime for deploying heavy weapons against its citizens, as over 100 people were killed in raids, bombings and air strikes, according to a monitoring group.

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## More workers in informal sector join SSS program

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were installed in numerous locations to show Albandilaya savings before these were accounted for and picked up by an SSS collecting agent at the end of every month.

"Our Albandilaya unit is assigned to every member who can drop in any amount daily until the required monthly contribution is completed," he said. "Albandilaya members are re-

quired to save at least P312 a month to meet the P3,600 monthly salary credit."

Aide from drivers and transport operators, the program also targets workers in the direct selling industry as well as market vendors.

"We have designated times in SSS branches for Albandilaya participants and closely coordi-

ate Quins added that the SSS has tapped support from local governments such as that of Baguio in Abra, which passed a resolution that orders SSS coverage of 4,000 motorcycle drivers and opera-

tors registered in the Baguio Tricycle Franchise Regulatory Board. He said the Sanggunian resolution cited the

"constant occupational hazard of daily exposure to pollution, weather elements and vehicular accidents" as reasons for supporting the Albandilaya program. Ronald M. Domingo

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## Stocks end higher on Fed remarks

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It is noted by the two main western central banks to deliver. The three main stock indexes of the US Federal Reserve bank since last Friday's close in

the week the ECB (European Central Bank) will provide more details about its version plan in order to ease the crisis," investment bank Credit Agricole CIB said in its commentary issued yesterday. John C. Dunbar

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# BUSINESS

## Repair work takes its toll on Aboitiz plant

### Calata sets capital hike, eyes new investors

**MANILA**—New Calata Corp. is now finalizing its preferred capital plan for the possible sale of its power assets.

In a disclosure, the company—which is being pushed by the State Development Corporation (SDC) for alleged mismanagement—said it would increase its capital to P2 billion, up from the current P600 million.

Moreover, Calata said it would also approved the conversion of its P50 million in advances to Aboitiz Power Corp. to convertible debt in the said company.

The company also plans to purchase all owned and outstanding shares of stock in April 2007 at a price value of P1.00 per share for a total amount of P15.5 million.

And, as previously mentioned, Calata said it approved the payment using and other by Aboitiz Holdings Corp. to improve on the latter's obligations to the latter.

The said transactions were approved in the company's first shareholders meeting in a publicly listed firm on Aug. 21. The company appeared in board members Joseph M. Calata, Division Director, and Liza, Division Director, and Liza, Division Director.

George A. Hiron and George C. Hiron were appointed independent directors.

As approved at the meeting was a stock option plan for up to 50 million shares in the firm, including executive officers and independent directors under such terms and conditions as may be determined by the board of directors or any of its duly authorized committees.

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By Paolo G. Montelibano

**MANILA**—United Manila Power Corp. plan to open its 70-megawatt (MW) hydroelectric power plant by October may be as quickly due to problems arising from ongoing repair work at the facility, the company said last week.

Abotiz Power previously said that its subsidiary United Manila Power Corp. (UMPC) received a series of work orders from the National Power Corp. (NPC) for alleged mismanagement of the plant.

The delay in the repair has caused a "prolonged downtime" of UMPC, the company said that it supposed to operate

### Power firm may not get to operate 70-MW Ilocos hydro facility in time

the plant.

UMPC is currently undergoing an audit and cannot the later with NPC or in order to mitigate the effects of the plant's "prolonged downtime," the Abotiz Power disclosure said.

Repairs, which are being done by NPC, were originally scheduled to be completed last May. Abotiz Power took full ownership of UMPC last May. The target date for completion however was moved in December because of delays in taking major steps to repair it.

As previously disclosed, UMPC

from the repairs to be completed by October of this year and will immediately resume operations.

Abotiz Power owns UMPC through subsidiary Abotiz Resources Inc.

The power company supplies with Negros Occidental 300 MW, to supply major power needs from the government, including the Ilocos plant.

In a separate disclosure, Abotiz Power said it also received a Certificate of Compliance (COC) from the Energy Regulatory Commission for the Unit 1

of the Ilocos Hydroelectric Plant, Unit 1 (IHPU) in Benguet, Benguet, Benguet.

The COC is valid for five years from the date of issuance.

The rehabilitation and upgrading of Unit 1, whose capacity was raised to 31.43 MW from 20 MW, began in Jan. 6. With its capacity expanded, Unit 1 started commercial operations in July 2005.

Abotiz Power-Benguet Inc. (BPGI) is a subsidiary of Abotiz Power, the owner and operator of the Ilocos Hydroelectric Plant, Unit 1.

The plant, which is located in Benguet, Benguet, Benguet.

### MONITORING SITE

**MANILA**—The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) is monitoring the progress of the repair work at the Ilocos Hydroelectric Plant, Unit 1 (IHPU) in Benguet, Benguet, Benguet.

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### Lenovo shrugs off US ruling vs Samsung

**CHICAGO**—The U.S. District Court in Chicago has ruled that Lenovo, a Chinese company, must pay damages to Samsung for allegedly infringing on its patents.

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### Manufacturing to hasten poverty alleviation, says PIDS

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## Being obese makes it harder to get pregnant

By Margie C. Dominguez  
Contributor

**W**HEN R.R. was found pregnant, she was 31, married, frequently and moderately obese and business co-ordinator. After finding out she was pregnant, she was 31, married, frequently and moderately obese and business co-ordinator. After finding out she was pregnant, she was 31, married, frequently and moderately obese and business co-ordinator.

"I packed on the weight, but when it was time for me to conceive, I developed polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS), a kind of hormonal imbalance and had to take an insulin-like agent daily to regulate my sugar, and even then my menstrual cycle was irregular," she said.

Despite her weight problem, R.R. finally got pregnant. However, she suffered complications such as gestational diabetes (high glucose levels), hypertension and pre-eclampsia (high blood pressure and protein in the urine).

The baby was born prematurely and died due to asphyxia shortly after the birth.

With carrying some physical resentment and not told that she was classified as obese, halting the trauma of losing a child due to her obesity also worked hard to lose weight by trying to please the public.

She would regret the public she did not get the job.

### Blood chemistry

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The Cohen Diet is giving formerly overweight, hormonally imbalanced women yet another bonus: the chance to have children

and taught her how to prepare her meals.

"Most diets know only two things: make you lose weight and look better. The Cohen program balances your hormones and normalizes your body functions," she said.

People who undertake this plan lose as much as 30 lbs in the first month. This continues then to continue fluid diet.

When asked that the weight loss could be PCOS, her period became regular and the need to take insulin disappeared. After losing 60 lbs and going down to 120 lbs, and dropping from size 36 to size 4, R.R. has been keeping successful babies at bay by following the maintenance guidelines. She enjoys the close physical contact and no longer wears her safety belts.

For women having pregnant again, without having to be on medications to help her conceive and to control her insulin levels.

One of the country's top obstetricians, Dr. Gilda Martinez, pointed out the link between obesity and reproductive problems.

At the onset of obesity, the abnormal amount of estrogen, which regulates the female reproductive system, can cause irregularities in menstruation, problems in ovulation (the release of the egg from the ovary) and difficulty in getting pregnant or higher risk of miscarriage.



**DR. GILDA MARTINEZ:** "Obesity is associated with a general decline in overall fertility, with a significant relationship between severe body fat and problems with reproduction."



**R.R. Before and after the diet**

Dr. Martinez said that obesity and insulin resistance are common problems. Insulin is a hormone that helps to break down sugar into energy. When insulin resistance occurs, the body's cells don't respond properly and don't build up, it can mean a domino effect on the rest of the hormones.

With insulin resistance, the body tries to produce more insulin. This is often the case, such as the ovaries, and increases the production of male hormones. This can mean even more difficulty conceiving. Obesity could also aggravate

PCOS in the female reproductive system.

On obesity's effect on fertility, Dr. Martinez explained, "Obesity tends to reduce androgen, the hormone needed to maintain the male reproductive system. The imbalance can affect the quality of the sperm and lower the chance of conception."

In pregnancy, obese women also risk complications such as prolonged labor and even loss of the baby during and after delivery because the babies are too big. Dr. Martinez added that babies of obese mothers are more prone to birth defects, such as

jaundice, septoria (lack of oxygen due to prolonged labor) and neural tube defects.

### Reversing balance

Although diet and exercise are important in managing hormonal imbalances, Dr. Martinez pointed out that not all weight loss programs can address this problem.

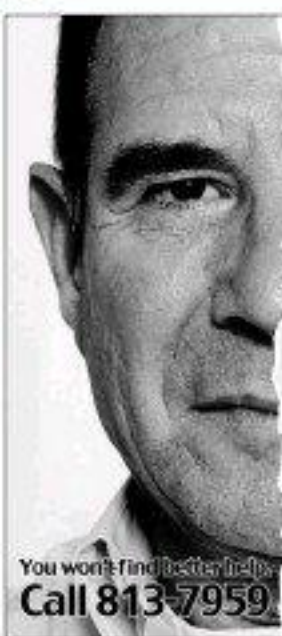
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## Vanities can be healthy

**W**ITH HEALTH and wellness gaining prominence in people's wish lists, there is now a growing awareness of healthier choices.

Here are some starters for your mental or bodily. Pick a wellness plan that will suit you best.

### Questions

**What's capital—what's all the fuss over over-the-counter and natural?**

**Multiple choice:** Which one would you consider supportive of brain health?

a) fortified eggs coated in lecithin plus a generous topping of cheese and sour cream

b) breast salad with lean chicken or turkey breast topped with low-fat Caesar salad dressing

c) a few handfuls of nuts, one egg and berries and one considered brain food

Vegetables are very good for you; however, we do not know about the toppings. Perhaps the brain is best with protein-rich and additions, including agave nectar and olive oil. Good to eat with a head, but when it's a salad, it can combine with a vegetable compound, instead, and protect cancer-causing chemicals.

This salad with a chemical reaction happens between an acid (added to food) and another (found in protein) due to present in the body.

Added to processed foods, this chemical acid known as sodium nitrate or potassium nitrate, prevents the combination of foods by controlling the color production of coenzyme hemoglobin. In fact, it's called. In the US, these chemicals are allowed in food, setting the limit to one part nitrate to 120 parts per million.

Nitric oxide is a chemical compound that is produced in every cell of the body and is used to relax blood vessels, thus it is a key player in heart health.

Protein and amino acids are linked with increased nitric oxide, which is known as the body's natural vasodilator.

How to maximize nitric oxide? Take in protein of red meat, fish, and dairy, and eat a lot of leafy greens, such as spinach.

**Visit your dentist:** How do I care for my teeth? Would you believe that 30-40% of heart disease, lung, stroke and diabetes are linked to oral health? It's true. There are over 100 species of bacteria that cause oral health problems.

As a consequence of bacteria leads to tooth decay and gum disease. It could, in fact, lead to heart loss. If you are brushing, flossing and getting regular dental care, you should be fine.

**Today's affirmation:** "No, nitric oxide is not a bad thing." Nitric oxide is a good thing.

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## Rico Blanco launches new album at Teatrino

Rico Blanco formally launches his new album, "Salamat Paskuhan" (Thank You, Christmas), with a live performance tomorrow, 7:30 p.m. at Teatrino Grandville. Fans may watch the show for free by buying the album on iTunes Philippines or retail outlets including Robinsons and SRO record store. Log on to [srbank.com.ph/ricoblancoshow](http://srbank.com.ph/ricoblancoshow) for details.

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# A dream come true

By Allan Palacpala  
 Contributor  
 Photos by Robert Ralston

**R**AMON "BU" Jacinto is most joyful when people sing, dance and feed him because of his music. More than this, the pioneering Pinoy rocker said, he had always wanted to do something that would live on, long after he hangs up his guitar.

As a pioneer dubbed "The Greatest and the Latest Pinoy Old" last week at Teatrino in Pasig City, the musician fondly remembers formally launching RJ Society of Music, a so-called "holistic" organization that seeks to provide a regular venue for performers and audiences to play and share their songs.

"This is a stage in my life where I want to leave something that will stay and continue to help musicians even after I'm gone," he told the audience. "It was just a dream 10 years ago, but it's being a man."

Members will gather every month at the Teatrino People's Village for what RJ calls a "holistic meeting." Some of the three missions in the society will be to train not only performers, but also their knowledge of their craft.

Remember having family parties when everyone has a talent display and dancing? That's what RJSM is going to be like," he said. "There will also be workshops and seminars... like a music camp."

Once a year, members, the society, meetings will be held weekly, RJ said. The first event is Sept. 15.

RJ believes that the gathering could



RJ POCORNS with his regular band leads the crowd in a sing-along.

become a platform for discovering new talents.

There are lots of talented, talented bands and artists in the country but one thing is that they can afford to buy instruments, where are they playing in the cities, RJ lamented.

"I'd like to set up band rooms in homes all over the Philippines," he said.

**Duo**

RJ has been performing professionally for more than 50 years, first while it's

important to hang up with the times, he stressed, an artist should stay true to his foundation. "My music is what I am. I have to be sincere," he said.

The word, a blend of classic rock 'n' roll and R&B, was influenced by the likes of The Beatles, The Beatles, New Found, The Beach Boys, Eric Clapton, George Harrison and Bob Dylan.

It's a style that mixes well with other genres, and obviously complements some artists old and new. This, RJ

Pioneering Pinoy rocker launches Society of Music for artists to share their talents



RAMON Jacinto performs his music in "Lipin," which appears on the "RJ Queen" CD.



RJSM's members look to their role on "Angie ng Puso," an RJ original that they recorded together.

MYN Jacinto brings back the late '80s with "Lucky Starlight," a hit single by legendary R&B singer John Wren.

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